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Appeal 2011-000667 Application 10/661,348 Technology Center 3700

Before DALE M. SHAW, Division 2 Support Administrator.

## ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL

On April 4, 2008, Appellants filed a Notice of Appeal. On September 7, 2010, Appellants filed a request to reopen prosecution, exercising their option to reopen prosecution in response to a new ground of rejection contained in the Examiner's Answer mailed on July 6, 2010. Per 37 C.F.R. § 41.39(b)(1), this request is treated as a request to withdraw the appeal.

Accordingly, the appeal in this application is dismissed.

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The application is being returned to the Examiner for further action as may be appropriate.

If there are any questions pertaining to this Order, please contact the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences at 571-272-9797.

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